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September 2005

ADMIRALS, BUCKS & WAVE TICKETS

“WIL-O-WAY KEY CARD!”



The Milwaukee Admirals, Milwaukee Bucks & Milwaukee Wave are again participating with the Wil-O-Way Key Card Program to distribute tickets to people with disabilities for the upcoming 2005-2006 season. Membership in the Wil-O-Way Key Card program is required to gain access to these tickets. For an individual or organization annual membership, Wil-O-Way Key Card holders will receive the following benefits;

- Access to the Milwaukee County ticket distribution program,
- Invitation to Milwaukee County recreation and culture special events,
- Information about other low or no cost community recreation events, and
- Access to Wil-O-Way programming.
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Membership applications for the 2006 Wil-O-Way Key Card will begin being accepted soon. Your 2005 membership is good through the end of the year.

Ticket reservations can be made by completing the ticket request form, only sent to Wil-O-Way Key Card members. You will also need to enclose a SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE with your form (faxes and e-mail WILL NOT be accepted). You WILL NOT be receiving a confirmation phone call verifying or denying your request.

We do not have the tickets in our office, however, we will reserve the seats. The tickets must be picked up in person at the **WILL CALL WINDOW** at the northeast corner (Admirals), the southeast corner (Bucks) of the Bradley Center or the main entrance (4th & Kilbourn) of the US Cellular Arena (Wave) no later than 15 minutes after the game starts or your reservations will not be

honored. The Admirals & Wave windows open one hour prior to game time. The Bucks window opens two hours prior to game time. The maximum number of tickets allowed per game and per month for individuals and organizations appears on the registration form each month.

We cannot make reservations for friends or relatives for nearby seats (other than your companion), this must be done by you at the Bradley Center or US Cellular Arena box office's. We will try to accommodate parents with minor children.

If your plans change and you cannot use your tickets, please notify us at 414-278-3930 (V) or 414-278-3937 (TTY) Monday thru Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at least two business days prior to the scheduled game. On weekends or non-office hours, please call your cancellations in to the teams directly [Admirals - 414-227-0550 (v); Bucks - 414-227-0500 (v); Wave - 414-224-9283 (v)]. There is a great demand for tickets and we do not want to deny other fans a chance to see a game. If you do not pick up your reserved tickets for a scheduled game, we may not be able to give you future reservations. We will take weather and/or illness into consideration.

Membership in the Wil-O-Way Key Card program does not guarantee that you will receive all or any tickets requested each month. All tickets are subject to availability

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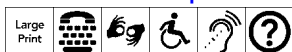
Comprehensive Benefits Counseling Services are designed to provide individuals who receive about work incentives, rules, programs, and the effect of earning on other state and federal benefits the ability to make informed choices while transitioning to work.

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NEW WEBSITE!

Department of Transportation — DOT launches new Website to assist persons with disabilities for emergency preparedness.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) on Thursday, July 21, launched a new Website containing information to help ensure safe and secure transportation for persons with disabilities in the event of a disaster or emergency.

The new site includes advice on emergency preparedness, transportation accessibility, and evacuation methods for certain modes of transportation, such as rail and transit systems. Disabled individuals can learn how to react in situations ranging from evacuations of mass transit systems to being trapped in a car during a blizzard or hurricane.

The site also includes links to Department of Homeland Security Web pages that provide information on preparing for specific emergencies, including natural disasters such as severe weather, fire and earthquakes, as well as man-made disasters such as spills of hazardous materials. In addition, the site also provides information for transportation providers on how to respond to the unique needs of people with disabilities during an emergency.

The web address for the new site is
<http://www.dotcr.ost.dot.gov/asp/emergencyprep.asp>.

OUTDOOR MUSIC CONCERT

With CELIA, Storyteller and Celtic Folk Musician

When: Wednesday, Sept 14, Session I 10:30am-11:45am, Session II 12:15pm-1:30pm (Outdoor picnic lunch BYO from 11:45am-12:15pm)

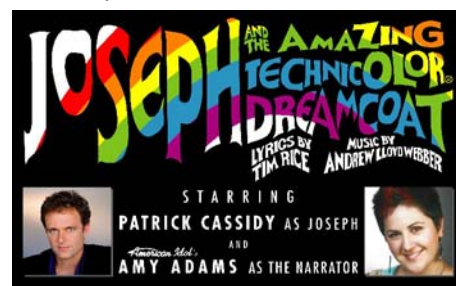
Where: Marian Center for Nonprofits (Outdoor Grotto)
3211 S Lake Drive, St. Francis, WI 53235 (If inclement weather, concert will be held indoors in Gym)

Cost: \$6.00 per person (no cost for caregivers or staff)

PREREGISTRATION is required. EVENT IS RAIN OR SHINE. For more details, contact the Very Special Arts Office at 414/489-0541.

JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT September 6-11

The Marcus Center for the Performing Arts presents the classic Broadway story *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, September 6-11, 2005. Get set for a magical rainbow ride through biblical Egypt, starring Broadway's Patrick Cassidy and "American Idol's" Amy Adams.



There is an interpreted and audio described performance on Saturday, September 10 at 2:00 pm. Please contact the Marcus Center Box Office for ticket information, (414) 273-7206, or TTY (414) 273-3080. Visit www.marcuscenter.org for show information.

THE REC ROOM Recreation Calendar

Activities designed for people with disabilities

January	February	March
April	May	June
July	August	September
October	November	December

www.county.milwaukee.gov/recreationcalendar

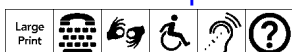
FALL FESTIVAL

September 24 10:00 am- 1:00 pm
Wil O Way Grant, 207 Lake Dr.,
South Milwaukee

Join us for a wonderful time with your friends. Fall activities such as a hike in the woods, campfire sing-alongs, lunch of chili soup and crackers, outdoor games, scarecrow, crafts and more. Family members and agency staff are encouraged to come and be a part of this festival. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Pre-register required. Call Tracey at 414-551-5566 ext 424 or email traceyr@eastersealskindcaresewi.com.

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HAPPENINGS IN THE PARKS!

Wehr Nature Center

Moon Walks for Families/Adults/Singles

September 16, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Call for program information.

Pre-registration & fee required.



Astronomy has never been more fun! Come to Wehr for hands-on astronomy and a stroll through the woods to the oak savanna to see the moon, stars, planets and/or meteors. Each session will cover a different astronomical topic and will include time inside the inflatable planetarium (Starlab) as well as viewing with telescopes and/or binoculars when possible. Programs will run rain or shine.

Little Wonders for Twos - 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Little Wonders for Threes - 11:00 - Noon

September 12 & 26

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Please, no non-participating siblings.

Pre-registration required.

Fee: \$7.00/Child, \$5.00/Friends of Wehr

Toddlers and their parent will enjoy learning about a different topic of nature each month.

Nature Nuts

September 19, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Ages: 4 - 6, with an adult

Fee: \$5.00/child, \$4.00/Friend of Wehr

Pre-registration required.

Tots and parents are invited to join the naturalist for special topics, crafts and outdoor activities in this series of programs for the younger set.

Call 414-425-8550 for Registration Deadlines, Program Details and Fee Information

Boerner Botanical Gardens

Growing Gardeners* (Ages 3, 4 & 5) : Johnny

Appleseed Adventures

10:30 am or 1:00 pm, \$15 / \$10 Members

Saturday, September 10 - Take an adventure back in time while listening to stories about Johnny Appleseed. Enjoy an apple adventure and a special garden

experiment. For more information or to pre-register, please call 414-525-5653.

Sunflower Growing Contest Judging

Saturday, September 10, 9:00 am

Join us for some friendly competition. Who's sunflower will be the tallest? Who's will have the biggest head? Sunflowers will be judged by Garden Director, Shirley Dommer.

Mark your calendar now so you don't forget to enter next year – seeds are available for pick-up May 1, 2006!

Growing Gardeners* (Ages 3, 4 & 5) : Johnny

Appleseed Adventures

Tuesday, September 13, 10:30 am or 1:00 pm

\$15 / \$10 Members

Take an adventure back in time while listening to stories about Johnny Appleseed. Enjoy an apple adventure and a special garden experiment.

Garden Trends Symposium – Saving your Garden*

Sat, September 17, 8:30 am

\$45/\$40 members

The Garden Trends Symposium is one of the premier events of the year at Boerner Botanical Gardens. You won't want to miss this incredible all-day symposium focusing on the current trends in gardening. Program includes continental breakfast and lunch.

Scarecrows in the Gardens*

Friday, September 23 – Saturday, October 1

Schools and child care agencies are invited to enter the second annual Botanical Scarecrow Contest. Scarecrows will be on display in the Gardens from September 23-30. Judging will be conducted by the general public during the display period. Scarecrows will become part of a special fall auction to raise funds to further develop educational programs for children at the Gardens. The auction will be held at the Herb Dinner of the Year on Friday, September 30

Annual Herb of the Year Dinner – Oregano

Friday, September 30, 6:00 pm

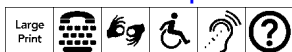
\$75/\$65 Members

The Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens commemorate the selection of Oregano as the 2005 Herb of the Year by the Herb Society of America. Joe Bartolotta will demonstrate culinary masterpieces each featuring the honored herb...Oregano.

Dates and topics may change, please call 414-525-5675 to confirm and pre-register.

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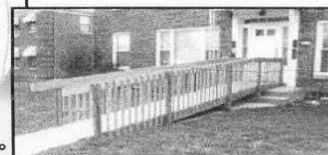
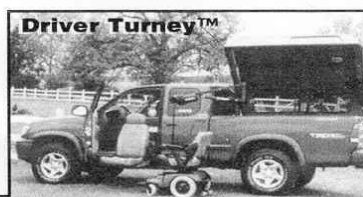
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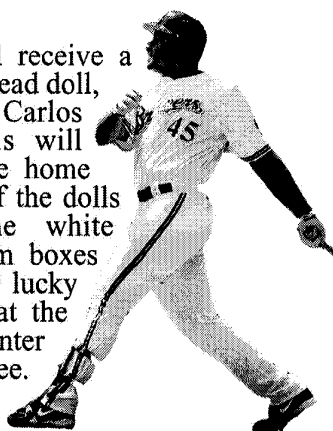
SEPTEMBER PROMOTIONS

Carlos Lee All Fan Bobble Head Saturday, September 3

All fans in attendance will receive a collectible Brewers bobble head doll, featuring Brewers player Carlos Lee. 5,000 random dolls will feature Lee in the alternate home blue uniform and the rest of the dolls will showcase the home white uniform. Plus, 100 random boxes will have a special card for lucky fans to redeem that night at the field level guest relations center for a doll autographed by Lee.

Fan Appreciation Night Saturday, September 24

All fans will receive a team photo card and have the opportunity to win fabulous prizes in a post-game drawing.



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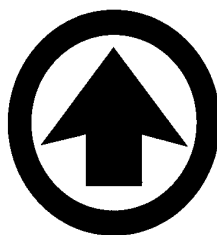
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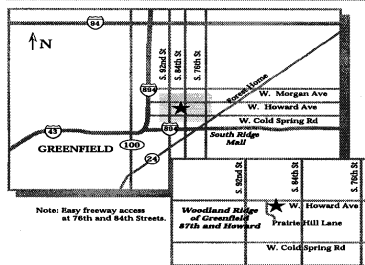
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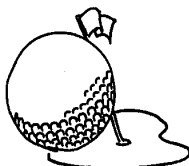
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What is our mission? Our mission is to provide free home repairs and accessibility modifications to low-income homeowners in Milwaukee County and Waukesha County.

Who do we serve? We serve low-income homeowners who are elderly and/or people with disabilities in Milwaukee County and Waukesha County. A goal is to assure that the people we serve may remain in their own home – safe, warm and independent.



Is this a National program? Yes. Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee is an affiliate of a National program called Rebuilding Together. Rebuilding Together is headquartered in Washington, D.C. Founded in 1988, the national office provides assistance to affiliates in program development, board and staff development, marketing, communications, and financial management. Please visit the national website at: www.rebuildingtogether.org

What is our national impact? As the largest volunteer home rehabilitation organization in America, our work takes place in 865 cities and towns in all 50 states. Through the year 2004, almost 2.3 million volunteers have worked to rehabilitate 87,450 houses and non-profit facilities. In 2004, more than 275,000 men and women will donate over 3 million hours of time to rehabilitate more than 8,500 houses and non-profit facilities.

When did Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee begin? The organization's first Rebuilding Day took place on May 19, 2001. Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee has grown in numbers since that date. In 2001, we started with four homes and one hundred sixty volunteers. By 2004, thirteen homes were rehabilitated with the help of over four hundred volunteers. In 2005, Rebuilding Together Milwaukee changed their name to Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee to include Waukesha County. Fourteen homes were rehabbed on May 21, 2005 in Milwaukee County and two homes will be rehabbed in the Fall of 2005 in Waukesha County.

Why are these services needed? In Milwaukee County, 12,388 elderly owner-occupied households spend over 30% of their incomes on housing expenditures, and 4,043 elderly owner-occupied households spend over 50% of their incomes on housing. This leaves very little income to cover the costs of food and health care, much less sufficient funds to pay for home repairs or to repay home repair loans.

While there are some public and private home repair programs serving Milwaukee County, the need for these services is overwhelming, and these entities have neither adequate funds nor manpower sufficient to address the needs – particularly the needs of very low-income elderly homeowners.

The number of low-income homeowners increases each year. This growth means that more and more families are placed in the position of choosing between vital necessities, such as food or medicine, or a roof that does not leak. Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee works to ensure that low-income homeowners do not have to make these difficult choices.

What type of work is done? Each local program sets its own goals. We specialize in home modifications. Home modifications allow people with disabilities to remain safe and independent in their own home. Occupational therapists and students in the UWM Occupational therapy department assess each homeowner to determine where grab bars, hand rails and other assistive devices should be installed. The unskilled volunteers join with skilled tradespeople, painting, cleaning, and doing carpentry, plumbing, and electrical work.

What is Rebuilding Day? Rebuilding Day takes place on a Saturday in May, the weekend before Memorial Day weekend. In 2005, Rebuilding Day was May 21. Rebuilding Day begins at 8:00 a.m. in which volunteers come to work at their assigned home and work until 5:00 p.m. It is a day of meeting new people, working as a team and a feeling of accomplishment when the day is over.

How are homeowners selected? Homeowners must be low-income, live in Milwaukee County and are elderly and/or have disabilities and unable to do the work themselves. The site selection process takes place locally, within broad national guidelines. The site selection committee reviews the applications in November and December. The committee makes a recommendation to the board. All applicants are notified of the Board's decision by February 15.

Do homeowners pay? No. All repairs are free for homeowners. Labor and some supplies are typically donated. Homeowners and family members are asked to welcome the volunteers into their homes and work alongside them to the extent possible. Our work is done WITH families and neighborhoods, not FOR them.

Who sponsors Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee? Funds come from generous individuals, corporations, labor organizations, foundations, civic organizations, churches, and synagogues that are interested in helping to build a better world. Our local affiliates do their own fundraising, publicity, volunteer recruitment and management. Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization supported by voluntary contributions of time and money. Every dollar given is wisely spent and is an investment in building a better America.

Is my contribution tax-deductible? Yes. All contributions are tax-deductible. Contributions can be sent to Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee, P.O. Box 510287, Milwaukee, WI 53203.

How can I find out more? You may contact, Nicole Hermann, Administrative Director at 414-319-9828 or email: rtmilwaukee@hotmail.com



Application For Free Home Repairs

For the Low-Income Elderly, People Living with a Disability, and Families with Children

Homeowner's Name:

(Please Print) _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Address:

Street City Zip Code

Phone Number:

Home Work Cell

Are there any family members living in this household that are disabled? Yes _____ No _____ if yes, please list the person(s) first name and the disability.

Name _____ Name _____

Occupants

How many people are living in this home? _____ How many are 60 years and older? _____

Name and ages of all persons living here, starting with the oldest and ending with the youngest.

Name _____ Age _____ Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____ Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____ Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____ Name _____ Age _____

Medical Cost

Amount of out-of-pocket expenses for medicine for each month (**not covered by insurance**) _____

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Is this home jointly owned? Yes _____ No _____ if yes, please list the name and address of the co-owner.

Is this home a single-family home? Yes _____ No _____ Is this an extended family home? Yes _____ No _____

(Extended Family home is a home where older family members are living here for one reason or another.)

Is any portion being rented? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what is the amount of rent income _____

Please check what best describes your home: One story home _____ Two story home _____

One and a half story home (Bungalow) _____ Two and a half story home (duplex) _____

Basement: Yes _____ No _____ Garage: Yes _____ No _____ Shed: Yes _____ No _____

Are the Taxes paid up, or are they being paid on an installment plan? Yes _____ No _____

If installment plan, is it monthly or quarterly. (Circle one). Amount of monthly payment _____

Household Income Information:

Please provide the following information about the combined monthly income received by **All Family Members** residing at this home.

Sources of income received and amount by All Members of this household.

Check yes for each source of income and write in the amount received.

	Yes	Monthly Income
Wages or salaries from employment		\$
Income from self-employment		\$
Unemployment compensation		\$
Social Security, SSI, SSIE, Disability Foster Care, Adoption Assistance		
Other Government Income		\$
Pension income		\$
Child Support		\$
Rental income from property owned		\$
Income from any other sources (please list)		\$
TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME		\$

What Repairs Are Needed? If your home is chosen to receive free home repairs provided by **Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee** and its Volunteers, what specific home repairs are you applying for? Please check off those repairs you are looking for, that would provide warmth, safety and comfort.

Check off needed repairs:

Outside Work Needed

- ☐ Scrape/paint exterior walls, trim or windows
- ☐ Repair porch deck, steps, rail
- ☐ Repair or replace gutters, downspouts
- ☐ Repair doors and or weather-proof them
- ☐ Repair or replace broken windows
- ☐ Yard work needed
- ☐ Address broken walkways
- ☐ Accessibility to home (wheel-chair ramp)

Inside Work Needed

- ☐ Replace unsafe flooring
- ☐ Install grab-bars in bathroom for safety
- ☐ Repair or replace unsafe electrical items
- ☐ Repair or replace plumbing leaks
- ☐ Repair or replace broken doors or locks
- ☐ Repair or replace stairs and or railings
- ☐ Painting
- ☐ Other (please explain below)

Applicant's Certification of Accurate information:

I (name of applicant, please print) _____ certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize **Rebuilding Together-Greater Milwaukee and its volunteers** to check any references necessary to complete the process of my application to receive free home repair that is done by **Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee** and it's volunteers. I understand that all information well be kept confidential and will be used strictly for the purpose of determining my eligibility to receive free home repair through **Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee**. I also understand that providing any false information may make me ineligible for services from **Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee**.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

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